### New Varieties of Cash Crops

3545. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Indian Agriculture Research Institute has developed some new varieties of seeds of the cash crops recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of the States where these new seeds have been used; and

(d) the results likely to be achieved thereform?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Cotton variety - 'Pusa B-6' has been identified for late sown conditions in Punjab, Haryana, Northern Rajasthan and Western Uttar Pradesh.

Grape hybrid 'Pusa Navrang' has been developed for northern India. It is good for making juice and coloured wine.

Bhindi Variety 'Okra A-4', a yellow vein mosaic virus resistant variety has been released for the whole country.

Four varieties of Gladioli namely Neelam, Suryakrian, Dhanwantri and Sangervani and five varieties of roses namely Mother Teresa, Nehru Centenary, Dr. S.S. Bhatnagar, Lahar and Chitra have been released.

(d) The above varieties will help in increasing productivity of these crops resulting into higher profitability to the farmers.

### Houses for Freedom Fighters

3546. SHRI R.L.P. VERMA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether steps have been taken to make available residential plots/houses to homeless veteran freedom fighters on the priority basis;

(b) whether the requests for allotment of residential plots/houses to the homeless freedom fighters of the Indian National Army are still pending; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) The Government has neither formulated nor intend to formulate any scheme to make available residential plots/houses to the homeless veteran freedom fighters on the priority basis.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

### Land belonging to Tribals

3547. SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the steps taken by the Government of Orissa to restore the alienated tribal lands in the tribal districts of the Scheduled Areas of the State;

(b) whether the Ministry have asked the Government of Orissa to furnish the information regarding the reported alienated tribal lands in Orissa; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Ministry and the State to check the alienation of tribal land?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) The Government of Orissa has enacted a legislation called 'The Orissa Scheduled Areas Transfer of Immovable Property (by Scheduled Tribes) Regulations, 1956', for prevention of alienation of land belonging to Scheduled Tribes and restoration of alienated land of Scheduled Tribes in the Scheduled Areas of Orissa.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Information has been asked for from the Government of Orissa and the Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment which is the nodal Ministry for land reforms and alienation of land in the Government of India and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as it is received.

### Determination of Creamy Layer

3548. SHRIMATI MEIRA KUMAR : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the instructions/guidelines contained in the office memorandum of the Government of India issued in September, 1993 in pursuance of the Mandal Judgment of the Supreme Court on identification of "Creamy Layer" have been implemented by all the State Government;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the action taken by the Government of India against the State Governments not implementing order; and

(d) the action taken by the Government to determine "Creamy Layer" in relation to the services under the Union?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) The Central Government vide its Office Memorandum No.36012/22/93 Estt. (SCT) dt. the 8th September, 1993, has outlined the detailed guidelines

to be followed for determining 'Creamy Layer' in relation to services under the Union.

### Demarcation of Boundary

3549. SHRI VIJAY PATEL : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether at many places, physical separation of boundary between India and Bangladesh has not been made which is resulting in the free movement of citizens of both the countries;

(b) if so, the action taken in this regard;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken to stop illegal movement across the borders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) to (c). Yes, Sir. Plans have been sanctioned for construction of 2784 kms. of roads and 896 kms. of fence along the Indo-Bangladesh border. 1671.73 kms of roads and 6332.84 kms of fence have been completed by October 1996.

(d) A series of measures have been taken by the Government to curb the problem of infiltration of Bangladeshi nationals into India. These measures include rasing of additional battalions of Border Security Force, reduction of gaps between the border outposts, intensification of patrolling both on the land and the riverine border, accelerated programme of construction of border roads and fencing, increasing in the number of outpost towers, provision of surveillance equipments etc. The matter has also been taken up with the Government of Bangladesh on various occasions. The progress of these measures is reviewed regularly at various levels. The number of Bangladeshi nationals deported by the Border Security force during the last three years is as below :

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|---|---|
| 1994 | 22,110 |
| 1995 | 12,486 |
| 1996 (upto October) | 8,216 |

### Tibetan Refugees

3550. SHRI RATILAL KALIDAS VERMA
SHRI CHANDRESH PATEL :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Tibetan refugee have been issued ration cards and photo identity cards;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether they have right to exercise their franchise and to contest election in India;

(e) if so, from which date, the manner of the same and reasons therefor;

(f) the details of economic assistance, facilities protection provided to them; and

(g) the expenditure incurred on them, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) to (c). Tibtan refugees have been issued ration cards by various State Governments However, they have not been issued photo-identity cards by Election Commission of India as they are not Indian Citizens.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Question does not arise.

(f) Tibetan refugess have been provided rehabilitation assistance under various Agriculture & Handicrafts schemes.

(g) Upto the year 1992-93, amount of Rs.1616.23 lakhs was incurred on Tibetan refugees After that the following expenditure has been incurred during the last three years;

| Year | Amount of Expenditure |
|---|---|
| 1993-94 | Nil |
| 1994-95 | Rs. 30 lakhs |
| 1995-96 | Rs. 34.32 lakhs |

### Cultivation of Tobacco

3551 SHRI B. DHRAMABIKSHAM : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total area under cultivation of tobacco in the country at present as compared to the last two years, State-wise and year-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by the Government to improve the quantity and quality of tobacco?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) A statement giving the State-wise area under cultivation of tobacco during 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 is annexed.

(b) At present the Government is not implementing any scheme on the development of tobacco in the country. However, two non-plan schemes on seed and seedling to distribute pure seed and seedling of bidi tobacco and training of farmers is being implemented in 100 per cent basis for adoption of improved practices with a view to increase the productivity.